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SUBJECT: MILITARY ACTIVITIES ON TAIWAN IN NOVEMBER AND  
DECEMBER

1. PENDING ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE TIMING OF THE PRESIDENT'S  
VISIT TO THE PRC, I HAVE GIVEN THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS  
AIMED AT REDUCING U.S. MILITARY ACTIVITY ON TAIWAN DURING  
THE PERIOD NOVEMBER 15 TO DECEMBER 15.

A. THERE SHOULD BE NO U.S. OR JOINT US/ROC MILITARY  
EXERCISES SCHEDULED FOR TAIWAN AREA DURING THE PERIOD  
NOVEMBER 15 TO DECEMBER 15.

B. OFFICIAL VISITORS, ESPECIALLY HIGH RANKING OFFICERS  
(GENERAL/FLAG RANK OR CIVILIAN EQUIVALENTS), LARGE GROUPS  
AND SPECIAL CONFERENCES SHOULD BE DISCOURAGED BETWEEN  
NOVEMBER 15 AND DECEMBER 15. ROUTINE ACTIVITIES AND  
LOW-LEVEL VISITS WITH WORK RESPONSIBILITIES RELATED TO  
TAIWAN SHOULD CONTINUE ON A NORMAL BASIS.

C. PORT CALLS BY U.S. NAVY SHIPS CAN CONTINUE ON A  
ROUTINE BASIS DURING THIS PERIOD, BUT VISITS THAT ATTRACT  
UNUSUAL NOTICE (SUCH AS A CARRIER, SHIP WITH EMBARKED  
TASK FORCE COMMANDER, OR LARGE CONTINGENTS OF MARINES)  
SHOULD BE DISCOURAGED. PORT VISITS SHOULD NOT BE

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SCHEDULED DURING THE TIME OF THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO THE PRC

AND SHOULD BE CANCELLED IF THEY ARE IN CONFLICT WHEN THE DATES OF THE VISIT ARE KNOWN.

2. AS THE DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, THE MILITARY IS ALREADY PLANNING VISITS AND CONFERENCES FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1975, AND I BELIEVE THIS ACTION IS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO AVOID HIGH PROFILE ACTIVITIES DURING THE PERIOD OF THE PRESIDENT'S ANTICIPATED TRIP AND THE INCONVENIENCE AND EMBARRASSMENT OF CANCELLATIONS.

3. IF THE DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT EXTENSION OF THE ABOVE GUIDANCE BEYOND DECEMBER 15 IS WARRANTED, PLEASE ADVISE ASAP.

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